

## Nazi Raids Believed Intensified To Force Quick Capitulation

Morale of British Property Owners Viewed As New First Line of Defense

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Chicago Daily News Foreign Correspondent. BUCHAREST, Sept. 11 (By Radio).—Through aerial devastation to capitulation—and capitulation within from two to six weeks. Foreign military experts here are agreed this is the primary goal of the Nazis' unprecedentedly intensified bombing raids on the British Isles. They also are convinced that Hitler not only hopes to smash the British people's will to resist, but that he is striving especially to break into smithereens the willingness of British property owners and big capitalists to accept ruinous losses.

Obviously, Hitler is making a furious and desperate drive to win the war before winter, and to win it before October if that can be done. For the first time in history, a knockout blow is being attempted on a great power by aerial weapons alone. Admittedly, the accompanying strain on British morale will soon surpass anything that was tried out on human integers in Spain or Flanders.

Lifelong military observers hereabouts confess that they possess no past experience on which to estimate whether Britain can take all this comes and hold on into the expected safety zone of mid-October or November. Putting political prejudices aside, they say that is anybody's guess. The vital question concerns the psychological effect of the Nazi day and night bombing.

### Morale of Greater Importance.

Militarists attach greater importance to the effect on morale than they do to the possible wearing down of British aerial defenses. This is where the amount of granite character and patriotic devotion among the first-rank industrialists and property owners of Britain may exercise a decisive influence. Shipping docks and public utility plants and industrial equipment worth several billions of pounds may be destroyed anywhere within the next three weeks. Britain's leading capitalists owe their wealth and position to these vast enterprises which are gradually being reduced to ashes.

Will these men accept the loss of everything which has given them power in the British Empire and stand with Prime Minister Churchill to the last ditch? Or will they follow the easiest course taken by so many Norwegian, Dutch, Belgian and French big businessmen and so secretly lead a movement in favor of "surrender and save as much of our personal fortunes as we can."

In the opinion of military authorities here the Nazis' high-pressure air raids are aimed even more directly at the morale of Britain's key industrialists and investment holders than at the will to resist among the British masses, as important as the effects on the common people may also be.

Appeasement Begins at Top. For Britain can only hope to ride out this hurricane of fury with its deluge of thunderbolts if the hearts of Britain's kings of industry and finance stay in the

war. Hitler knows, from ripe and profitable experience, that appeasement begins at the top and eats its way down.

Six weeks, perhaps four weeks, or perhaps only two or three, may suffice to show whether bombs can break Britain before winter fogs bring a breathing spell for the binding of wounds from Dover's cliffs to northernmost Scotland. As they scan the daily war bulletins, almost with bated breath, the leaders of the Balkan nations know that the men who constitute the elite of England have never been subjected to such an acid test since the British Empire was founded. In this sense the character of Britain's property owners, financiers and industrialists has suddenly become her first line of defense.

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## Money May Be Sent To Stranded Americans

By the Associated Press.

The Treasury authorized today the sending of money to stranded Americans in the invaded European countries.

Under presidential orders "freezing" financial transactions between the United States and these countries, such payments were permitted only on special licenses from the Treasury. Today's order supplements a recent one authorizing the resumption of remittances from Americans to relatives and friends in foreign countries abroad.

The new order permits the sending of \$250 a month to any one American abroad provided that the money is for "necessary living expenses." An additional \$250 is authorized at any time if the extra money will be used to help the American come home.

None of these payments may be made out of foreign funds now "frozen" in this country, but must be from one American to another American and involve only American money.

Danger lurks ahead when caution is left behind.

## Fleming Suggests Change In Hours for Banks

That the wage and hour law applies to banking institutions is no longer open to debate, Col. Philip B. Fleming, administrator, declared today in addressing the Iowa Bankers' Association at Des Moines. Pointing out that bankers generally have co-operated wholeheartedly with the wage and hour administration, he declared that most of the difficulties encountered with this group have been the result of misunderstandings. These, he said, are being ironed out "pretty rapidly."

Overtime problems of the banks, already troublesome, because of the rush of business at the end of the month, are likely to present an even greater problem, Col. Fleming admitted, when the 40-hour week becomes standard next month. As a solution he suggested a possible change in banking hours.

"Already banks in a number of localities are now operating successfully on a 40-hour week and are remaining closed on Saturday morning," he said. "Almost everywhere the customary banking hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., five days a week, and from 9 to 12 on Saturday."

These hours seem to have been arrived at arbitrarily, and I do not know why some other schedule might not prove to be quite as satisfactory."

## Summit Park Citizens Nominate Officers

Officers for the coming year were nominated last night by the Summit Park Citizens' Association, meeting in the East Washington Heights Baptist Church.

The nominations included James S. Davis for president, William P. Fallon and Mrs. Lella Marshall for first vice president, Charles Hall, second vice president; Miss Vernon Ica Cox and Mrs. James S. Davis, secretary, and Miss Verda Layton, treasurer. Those nominated for delegates to the Southeast Council were William J. Smith, George Mar-

shall and U. S. Fisher. Mr. Marshall, Mr. Smith and Mr. Davis were nominated for delegates to the Federation of Citizens' Associations. Elections will be held next month.

On the motion of Mr. Hall the association requested repair of the 3800 block of Austin street S.E. and the 3700 block of Bangor street S.E. The association also decided to ask for fire boxes at Sulland road and Camden street S.E. and at Pennsylvania avenue and Thirty-eighth street S.E.

Plans for a fund-raising campaign were discussed. It was decided that movies taken in the neighborhood by John Blackwell and Mr. Fisher would be shown.

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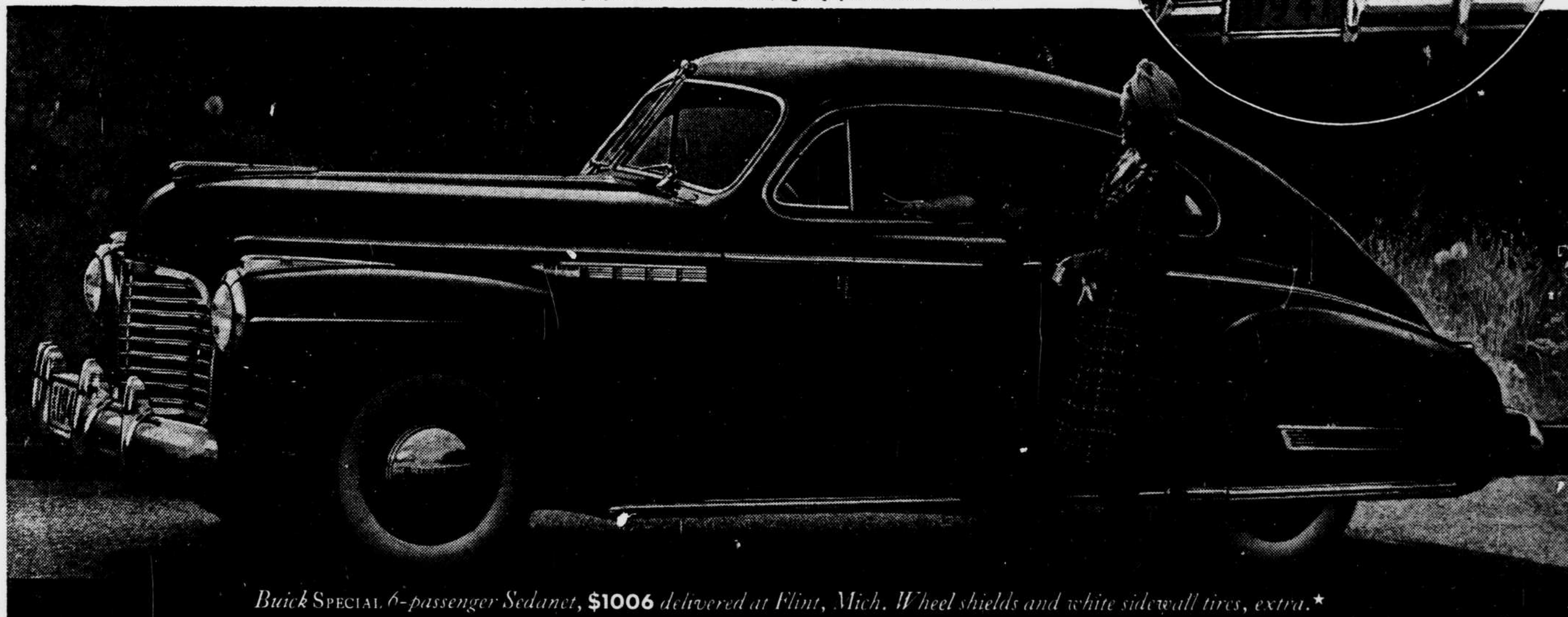
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## Rep. Reed Explains Representation Stand

Representative Reed, Republican of Illinois explained his amendment to the Summers District representation bill before the Albigist Memorial Evangelical Brotherhood yesterday, at its first meeting of the fall season in Stewart's Pharmacy. The present act, Mr. Reed said, calls for representation of the District in both House and Senate, while the Reed amendment would limit national representation to the House only.

George A. Corbin, president of the association, presided.

## D. C. Firemen to Discuss How to Combat Bombs

Four District firemen will be among those to discuss methods of coping with incendiary bombing, such as that being experienced in England and Germany, at a firemen's convention in Des Moines, Iowa, next week.

As delegates of Local No. 36, Firemen's Association of the District, J. L. Wertheim, W. T. Krug, H. F. Harding and R. E. Powell will attend the biennial meeting of the International Association of Fire Fighters.

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